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SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a)
AT&T Long Distance)

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,)
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF SBC LONG DISTANCE, LLC

SBC Long Distance L.L.C. d/b/a AT&T Long Distance ("SBCLD"), applies for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act, as amended ("the Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue the provision of interstate residential local exchange service in Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina.

As required by Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, SBCLD is providing the following information:

Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

SBC Long Distance LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
1010 N. St. Mary's Street
Suite 13L
San Antonio, TX 78215

Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

SBCLD plans to discontinue this service on or after October 31, 2007 subject to Commission authorization of the discontinuance pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c).

Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Interstate residential local exchange service will be discontinued throughout the SBCLD service areas in Georgia, Mississippi and South Carolina.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Interstate residential local exchange service is basic telephone exchange service that allows customers to make local calls within a local exchange, which includes local calling areas that cross state boundary lines.

The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by this service discontinuance because there are many alternative providers of local exchange telephone services, including but not limited to Comcast, 1-800-Reconnex, and Charter Communications.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(3)):

SBCLD notified customers in Georgia by letter sent via U.S. Mail on September 18, 2007. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as Attachment A.

SBCLD does not have any customers that subscribe to this service in South Carolina or Mississippi.

Copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commissions and governors of the states affected and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

SBCLD is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

Questions about this application may be addressed to Toni Acton, AT&T Services, Inc., Director – Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 457-3039.

Conclusion:

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of this service since there are alternative providers of local exchange service. SBCLD respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue interstate residential local exchange service in Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

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Its Attorneys

September 21, 2007

Attachment A

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do certify that I have, this 21st day of September 2007, served a copy of the foregoing
Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following:

/s/Lacretia Hill
Lacretia Hill

Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30334

Office of the Governor
Georgia State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Asst. for Telecommunications
Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301

Mississippi Public Utilities Commission
Woolfolk Building
501 North West Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Governor Haley Barbour
P.O. Box 139
Jackson, MS 39205

Public Service Commission of South
Carolina,
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

Governor Mark Sanford
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 12267
Columbia, SC 29211

SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
1010 N Saint Mary's Street, #13L
San Antonio TX 78215-2109

September 18, 2007



*****Important Notice*****

**Immediate Action Required
Regarding Your Local Telephone Service**

Dear Customer:

Thank you for choosing SBC Long Distance as your local service provider. Due to recent changes within our company, as of **October 31, 2007**, pending regulatory approval, **SBC Long Distance will no longer provide local telephone service in Georgia and you must take action.**

Important: To prevent the loss of your local telephone service, you must select another local telephone service provider on or before **October 21, 2007**. If you act by this date, there will be enough time for the new local service provider you choose to start your new service before your current service ends.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wire line Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Please remember that customers must choose the provider of their local telephone service. You may select any company that is offering local service in your area. Look in the Yellow Pages section of your telephone directory under "telephone companies" or in the front of your White Pages directory for a list of local telephone service providers.

You may want to call a number of local service providers to compare prices for the service plan you want. Please select your new service plans carefully -- local, toll and long distance -- to be sure the service plans meet your needs. Companies may offer pricing plans and calling areas that differ from the ones you have today. It is up to you to

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NOTICE REGARDING LOSS OF LOCAL SERVICE

select a plan that is right for you. *Once you select a local service provider, you must call that provider to order your new service.*

After you switch to another local telephone service provider and SBC Long Distance discontinues your local telephone service, you will receive a final bill within 7 to 14 days. If we owe you a refund, we will send it to you within 30 to 45 days of disconnection. Please be aware that you are responsible for payment of any outstanding balance owed to SBC Long Distance.

This is an **important** notice about the loss of your local telephone service. **Contact us toll free at 1-877-430-7228 if you have any questions or need more information.**

Sincerely,

SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS REGARDING DISCONTINUANCE OF YOUR LOCAL RESIDENTIAL TELEPHONE SERVICE

- 1 Why has the company made the decision to no longer offer residential local service in my area?**
We consistently evaluate all areas of our business. This was simply a business decision based on the considerations that we incur in providing local residential service. At this time, only local residential phone service is being discontinued. Business customers with local or long distance telephone services are not affected by this change.
- 2 What should I do now that I have received this letter?**
It is important you find another local residential telephone service provider. Normally you can locate a complete list of providers in the front of your local White Pages phone directory or in your Yellow Pages directory under the "telephone companies" heading. You should contact a new local residential telephone service provider as soon as possible to switch your local service to that new provider. **You will lose your local phone service if you do not change your local service provider.**
- 3 What about my other telephone services?**
They will not be impacted by this change in local residential telephone service. AT&T and its affiliates will continue to offer the same high standards and quality of wireless and long distance services to which local customers are accustomed. If you choose AT&T as your in-state toll and long distance service provider, inform your new local service provider of this choice.
- 4 When will I receive my final bill?**
You will receive your final bill 7 to 14 days after the switch to your new local residential service provider is complete.
- 5 Will I be able to keep my phone number(s) with my new provider?**
You should discuss this with your new local telephone company. Your new residential local telephone service provider should perform the necessary steps to ensure that you can keep your phone number with your new company. **Do not disconnect** your current local service if you want to keep your phone number – just call your new local telephone company to set up service and the new company will handle the rest to make sure your existing service is stopped and to make sure you can keep your phone number.
- 6 What about my other services that use my phone line?**
If you have other services not provided by SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance that use your local telephone line, for example an alarm service, you should contact the provider(s) of those services to inform them of the change to your local telephone service provider and determine if any actions are necessary.
- 7 Who can I contact for more information regarding this notification?**
Please call toll-free 1-877-430-7228 with any questions you may have regarding this notification.